

Peace Assembly Outline for Junior School

- Peaceful music playing as children enter hall.
Comment of effect music has on children - come in quietly etc.
How does the music make you feel?
What do you think of?
Think of words to describe it.
- Alternatively play two contrasting pieces - loud/aggressive & gentle/peaceful
Which music do you like best?
Why?
What are your feelings about this music?
What kind of picture could you draw about it?
- What is peace?
Ask for suggestions. Write on OHP or whiteboard.
- "Peace is the absence of war"
Explore:
 - World War - Iraq, Ireland – pictures
 - War on our streets - gangs, guns. Tell a real story.
 - War in our school - sometimes unkindness - bullying, fighting.
 - War in me - my hands, my tongue - role plays: e.g. someone being unkind and hurtful, child walks away upset; or helpful - child being kind, child puts arm round each other.
- What can I do?
 - be a good friend
 - obey school rules
 - be a member of the team
 - be thankful and polite
 - think good things about others

School prayer

Songs: "Make me a Channel of Your Peace"; "You Are My Brother".

Obviously there is more here than one assembly but parts can be added to or omitted.

Children love being involved - having helpers or children to act out role plays. Older children could read things or hold up pictures. They love the opportunity to give their opinions.

Puppets always work well - do dramas or just to assist the speaker.

Phillippians 4 v8-9 - good to use in church schools.